

# **IOWA BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS**

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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Recently, the Iowa Board of Medical Examiners took the following action:

**Terry L. Sprague, D.O.**, a 51 year-old general practice physician from Audubon, Iowa, had his Iowa medical license reinstated by the Board following hearing. Dr. Sprague's Iowa medical license was placed on indefinite probation subject to certain terms and conditions due to sexual misconduct with a patient. The Board concluded that Dr. Sprague is able to return to the practice of medicine so long as there are conditions and safeguards in place to monitor his practice. At hearing the Board found that Dr. Sprague engaged in an inappropriate sexual relationship with at least two patients. Dr. Sprague is permanently prohibited from treating any patient without having a Board-approved chaperone continually present and is permanently prohibited from providing psychotherapy services. On January 18, 2001, Dr. Sprague was charged with taking advantage of his position as a physician when he engaged in a sexual relationship with a patient. On October 18, 2001, Dr. Sprague entered into a Settlement Agreement with the Board, which indefinitely suspended his Iowa medical license.